

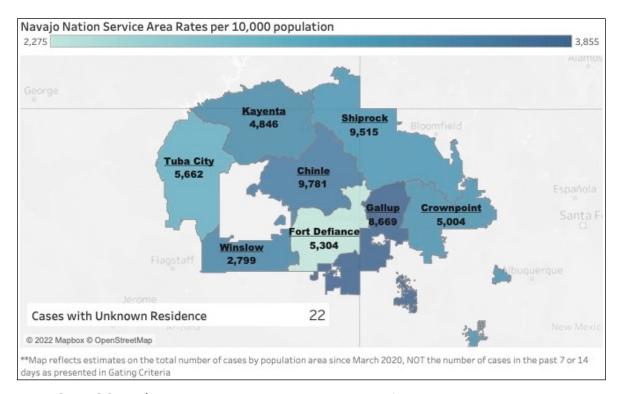
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105 new cases, 48,964 recoveries, and four deaths related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Friday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 105 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and four deaths. The total number of deaths is now 1,633. The report indicates that 48,964 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 486,474 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 51,602, including 22 delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 9,781

Crownpoint Service Unit: 5,004Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 5,304

• Gallup Service Unit: 8,669

Kayenta Service Unit: 4,846
Shiprock Service Unit: 9,515
Tuba City Service Unit: 5,662
Winslow Service Unit: 2,799

* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of Arizona reported 2,783 new cases, the state of Utah reported 1,791 new cases, and New Mexico reported 1,127 cases.

"Our administration has been working with the White House to secure more resources including more protective masks for our people, so we are expecting to receive additional resources that we will distribute across our communities. We are seeing a flattening of the curve in terms of new cases of COVID-19, but we have to keep our guard up at all times and keep pushing back on the virus. Our best defense is to get fully vaccinated and that includes getting a booster shot. COVID-19 has proven to be unpredictable and the likelihood of another variant spreading is concerning, so we must continue to prepare and plan ahead. Please be safe, wear a mask in public at all times, and pray for our people," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities on the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"The health experts have provided all of us with the guidance and resources needed to protect ourselves and others from COVID-19. It ultimately comes down to our individual choices and actions. We want to see an end to this pandemic, but we all have to do our part to reduce the spread of the virus. Let's support each other and continue to pray for our safety," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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